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No. Y0994-172AX

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name; I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled: A SOFT METAL CONDUCTOR AND METHOD OF MAKING the specification of which (check one) X is attached hereto. was filed on as United States Application Number or PCT International Application Number and was amended on _ (if applicable) I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above. I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the patentability of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56. I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, \$119(a) · (d) or \$365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or \$365(a) of any PCT International application which designated at least one country other than the United States, listed below and have also identified below, by checking the box, any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or PCT International application, having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed: Prior Foreign Application(s) Priority Claimed Yes No (Number) (Country) (Day/Month/Year Filed) No Yes (Number) (Country) (Day/Month/Year Filed) (Number) (Country) (Day/Month/Year Filed) I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. \$119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below. (Application Number) (Filing Date) (Application Number) (Filing Date) I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. §120 of any United States Application(s), or §365(c) of any PCT International application designating the United States, listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States, or PCT International application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. §112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information material to the patentability of this application as defined in 37 CPR §1.56 which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application: (Application Serial No.) (Filing Date) (Status) (patented, pending, abandoned) (Application Serial No.) (Filing Date) (Status) (patented, pending, abandoned) I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon. POWER OF ATTORNEY: As a named inventor I hereby appoint the following attorney(s) and/or agent(s) to prosecute this application and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith (list name and registration number). Manny W. Schecter (Reg. 31,722), Terry J. Ilardi (Reg. 29,936), Christopher A. Hughes (Reg. 26,914), Edward A. Pennington (Reg. 32,588), John E. Hoel (Reg. 26,279), Joseph C. Redmond, Jr. (Reg. 18,753), and Robert P. Tassinari, Jr. (Reg. 36,030) Send Correspondence to: Robert P. P. Tassinari, Jr., IBM Corp. Intellectual Property Law Dept. P.O. Box 218, Yorktown Heights, New York 10598 Direct Telephone Calls to: (name and telephone number) Robert P. Tassinari, Jr. (914) 945-3158 RAJIV VASANT JOSHI Full name of sole or first inventor Virsint JUSI Inventor's Signature

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Assignment

INVENTOR AND CITY Whereas I, Rajiv V. Joshi County of Westchester

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TITLE

have invented certain improvements in A SOFT METAL CONDUCTOR AND METHOD OF MAKING

DATE DECLARATION SIGNED

and executed a United States patent application therefor on July 9, 1998;

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Signed and sealed at Yorktown Heights on July ,199€

> SIGNATURE) INVENTOR

State of New York County of Westchester)ss.:

INVENTOR

1998, before m∈ day of July On this Rajiv V. Joshi personally came personally known, and known to me to be the person described and who executed the foregoing assignment, and he acknowledged to me that he executed the same as his free act and deed.

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Sir:

The undersigned attorney, who has been appointed as an attorney in the Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney for the above-identified application, hereby appoints Randy W. Tung (Reg. No. 31,311) of Tung & Associates, 838 West Long Lake Road, Suite -120, Bloomfield Mills, Michigan 48302, (telephone number (248) 540-4040) his associate attorney to prosecute said application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

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